The Holidays Make Many Turn to Social Pastime - International Y. M. C. A. Work - General News.

Charlottesville, Va., Special .- We were out of town last week attending the eleventh annual conference of the Young Men's Christian Associations of Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and the Dist. of Columbia, in session at Grace Presbyterian church Baltimore, Md., Dec. 28th, 29th and 30th. This was one of the most interesting gatherings of young men it has ever been our pleasure to attend, and the reports from the several organizations show that it is only a matter of time when our young men will be able to take their position and hold it, beside any nation on the globe. Mr J E. Mooreland and Mr. W. A. Hunton, Secretaries of the International Committee, presided alternately at each session of the conference.

The conference was honored with the presence of Prof. Lewis B. Moore, Dean of the Department of Pedagogy of Howard University, Mr. Daniel O. Shelton, Secretary International Com., who gave several addresses on Bible Study, Mr. Geo. P. Tibbitts, State Secretary of Maryland; Mr. W. H. Morris, General Secretary, Rev. J. Albert John. son, of the Metropolitan M. E. church of Washington, D. C., who addressed several hundred men at the Metropolitan M. E. church, Orchard Street, Bal: timore Sunday afternoon; Mr. Lever ing, president of the Y. M. C. A. (white) of Baltimore and a member of the In . ternational Committee and many others, among whom were the city pastors and leading citizens who lent their aid in various ways to the success of the conference. We would do an injustice if we failed to mention the hospitality shown us at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Young on Preston st., where we stopped, as also did Mr. Per. kins of the V. N. and C. Institute, Petersburg, Va., and Messrs. Gibson and Call of Howard University.

Mr. Lucian G. White of this city and Miss Fannie B. Proffitt were married at the home of the bride Wednesday the 28th, of December. After the ceremo ny they left for Washington, D. C., where they will make their future home.

The last day of the old year and of the century just ended was marked by one of the most pleasant and highly enjoyable receptions, of the year, at the pleasant and palatial home of Mr. and Mrs. John West on Main street. Among those present were Misses Annie Bry . ant, Lottie Lewis, R. E. Russell, E. C. Jenkins, Lizzie Brown, Rebecca Fer: guson, Fannie and Jennie Brown, Susie Fleming, Sepple West, Mary Mar tin, Lillie Duncan of Staunton, Susie Buckner, Lula Ward, Mrs. Gertrude Reiskell, Mrs. Fannie Fleming; Mesers. E. B. Allen, W. O. Lewis, Albert Cary, Wm. F. Brown, C. H. Brown, Allan and Harry West, J. H. Dickinson, C. H. Bullock, O. C. Parago, R. E. Wood, Lawrence Taylor. To know the news read The Colored American.

C. H. BULLOCK.

Colored Grand Lodge Officers.

The District of Columbia Masonic Grand Lodge (colored) elected the following officers Thursday night at Masonic Hall, Fifth street and Virginia avenue southeast; Most worshipful grand master, Robert H. Terrell; right worshipful deputy grand master, W. H. J. Malvin; right worshipful senior grand warden, Brooks Burr; right worshipful junior grand warden, Charles

H. Dean; right worshipful grand treasurer, Henry Coleman; right worshipful grand eceretary, William H. Myers, The officers were installed by Past Grand Master Dr. S. Roger Watts. Among others present were Past Grand Masters John F. Cook, Henry Coleman, John W. Mays, Richard H. Graves, Leonard C. Bailey, and William H. Myers.

A A SECTION OF STREET, STREET,

Miss Flora Batson in Pennsylvania.

Miss Flora Batson, America's double-voiced Queen of Song, and Mr. Gerard Millar the eminent Australian Basso and manager, are now connected with the Chambersburg Business School. Miss Batson as Superintendent of the female department and Mr. Millar as General Superintendent of Trades and Industries. This institution is the fruit of the tireless brain of Rev. G. W. Kincaid who so successful. ly pastored the Union Wesley A. M. E. Zion church of this city. In this case honor has been bestowed where it is due and the above named Christian gentleman has been selected as its President, and equally as wise and deserving and important selection in that of Mrs. W. B. Kincaid as its Principal. This school which is yet in its infancy has already met the approval of the Keystone State and will soon be adop ted as the "Child of the Northland," this being the only venture of the kind ever attempted north of the Mason and Dixon line.

The faculty has received encouragement to appear before the State Legislature petitioning an appropriation necessary to place this institution upon firm footing for the next two years. Batson and Millar will organize a company of colored artists to travel in the interest of the same.

We Wish Him Success.

Dr. Steptoe A. Washington, several years a student of medicine at Howard University, this city, having duly passed the examination before the Board of Health of his state, has located at Sewell, W. Va., for the practice of his profession, succeeding to the large and lucrative practice of his brother the late Dr. L. B. Washington deceased, who was a graduate of the same institution.

What Bachelors Say!
(From the New York Press.)

The average man loses about half of his religion every time he loses his umbrella.

If an umbrella was made of only one rib, like a woman, you never would be able to shut it up.

A woman never hears a cute baby story that she doesn't tell it afterward on her own child.

It always jars a man terribly when he wakes up after he has dreamed that his wife got married to another man.

Up to the time she is thirty a woman has as many excuses for getting married as the bundles she can carry.

You can never see some women with out thinking what a horrible thing it would be if pins had never been invented.

When a woman in a rainy-day skirt goes along the street, all the men are too much ashamed to look her in the

GEORGE W. MORGAN, Quality Undertaker and Embalmer.

H. J. Malvin; right worshipful senior grand warden, Brooks Burr; right worshipful junior grand warden, Charles All Orders Promptly Attended To.

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CATARRH A NATIONAL CALAMITY.

[Prominent members of Congress that owe their health to Pe-ra-na.]



INTERIOR OF UNITED STATES SENATE CHAMBER.

Our nation is passing through a great political crisis. Whether our national policy is to be one of territorial expansion, or whether we are to remain aloof from international complications, is the supreme question confronting our Congress. The attention of the world is directed toward us. The deliberations of eur Congress have come to be of international importance.

But this consideration affects only our external welfare. Our domestic problems are not one bit less important. We have serious questions before us that relate only to home interests. Chief among them is the health of our people. Catarrh has already become a national curse. Its ravages extend from ocean to ocean. More than one-half of the people are affected by it. It has become such a serious matter that it has passed the boundaries of the medical profession and become a national question. Senators are talking about it: Cougressmen are discussing it. They are not only considering the extent and chronic nature of the disease, but the possibility of finding a national remedy to meet this national calamity.

Cong. Howard from Alabama.



Congressman Howard.

"I have taken Pe-ru-na now for two weeks, and find I am very much relieved. I feel that my cure will be permanent. I have also taken it for la grippe, and I take pleasure in recommending Pe-ru-na as an excellent remedy to all fellow suf-

ferers. M. W. Howard, Fort Payne, Ala."

Congressman Worthington.

Hon. H. G. Worthington, Congressman from Nevada, and Ex-Minister to Argentine Republic, says in a letter written to Dr. Hartman:

"Allow me to express my gratitude to you for the benefit derived from your remedies. I have taken one bottle of Pe-ru-na and it has benefited immensely a case of catarrh of some months standing. I cordially commend its use to all similarly afflicted. H. G. Worthington, Washington, D. C."

Congressman Snover.

"I have found Pe-ru-na a very efficient and speedy remedy for a persistent and annoying cough resulting from catarrhal trouble. Horace G. Snover, Port Austin, Mich."

Congressman Brewer.

Hon. Willis Brewer, Representative in Congress from Alabama writes the following letter to Dr. Hartman:

"I have used one bottle of Pe-ru-ma for lassitude, and I take pleasure in recommending it to those who need a good remedy. As a tonic it is excellent. In the short time I have used it, it has done me a great deal of good. Willis Brewer, Hayneville, Ala."

Congressman Meekison.

Hon. David
Meekison, Member of Congress
from Ohio, says
of Pe-ru-na: "I
have used several bottles of
Pe-ru-na and feel
greatly benefited
thereby from my
catarrh of the
head and feel en-



Meekison.

couraged to believe that its continued use will fully eradicate a disease of thirty year's standing. David Meekison, Napoleon, O."

United States Senator Sullivan.

"I desire to say that I have been takeing Pe-ru-na for some time for eaterth, and have found it an excellent medicine, giving me more relief than anything I have ever taken. W. V. Sullivan, Oxford, Miss."

United States Senator McEnery.

Hon. S. D. McEnery, United States Senator from Louisiana, says the following in regard to Pe-ru-na:

"Pe-ru-na is an excellent tonic. I have used it sufficiently to say that I believe it to be all that you claim for it. S. D. McEnery, New Orleans, Leuisians."

Congressman W. P. Brownlow.

"I have suffered with catarrh of the stomach for several years and for the past twelve months was in an exceedingly critical condition. My attention was called to your Pe-ru-na and I began to use it, and my improvement was noticeable after the first three days. I have taken three bottles of the medicine and I feel satisfied that I am now almost if not permanently cured. In connection with the Pe-ru-na, I have used your Man-a-lin for biliousness and torpid liver. I regard it as the best medicine for this purpose that I have ever used, Having been benefited so much myself, I give you this statement that others may be likewise benefited. W.P. Browns low, M. C., Jonesboro, Tenn."

For a free book, entitled "Winter Catarrh," address The Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, O.

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